IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA MISSOULA DIVISION

STEVEN NEI, CV 24–103–M–DLC

Plaintiff,

vs. ORDER

THE PRUDENTIAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA,

Defendant.

Before the Court is Defendant's unopposed motion for counsel to appear telephonically at preliminary pretrial conference. (Doc. 19.) Through the motion, Defendant requests permission for *pro hac vice* counsel Samuel M. Schwartz-Fenwick to appear remotely at the preliminary pretrial conference set for November 7, 2024. (Doc. 19 at 2.) Mr. Schwartz-Fenwick lives in Chicago, Illinois. (*Id.*) Defendant's local counsel, Nicholas Pagnotta, will attend the preliminary pretrial conference in person. (*Id.*) Plaintiff does not object. (*Id.* at 3.)

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that the motion (Doc. 19) is GRANTED. Mr. Schwartz-Fenwick may appear remotely at the preliminary pretrial conference in the above-captioned matter. Mr. Schwartz-Fenwick may access the Court's conference line by calling 1-669-254-5252 and entering meeting ID 160-1303-0341.

DATED this 22nd day of October, 2024.

Dana L. Christensen, District Judge

United States District Court